

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

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| THOMAS J. SHIELDS,       | ) |             |
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| Plaintiff,               | ) |             |
|                          | ) |             |
| v.                       | ) | 1:18-CV-602 |
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| SHERIFF GODFREY, et al., | ) |             |
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| Defendants.              | ) |             |

**ORDER**

The Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge was filed in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and, on July 26, 2019, was served on the parties. Docs. 33, 34. No objections were filed. After consideration of the record, the Court hereby adopts the Magistrate Judge's Recommendation.

It is **ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that the plaintiff's motion for voluntary dismissal of his claims against the defendant North Carolina Department of Public Safety, Doc. 28, is **GRANTED** and the plaintiff's claims against NCDPS are dismissed without prejudice. The defendant NCDPS' motion for judgment on the pleadings, Doc. 20, is **DENIED** as moot. The remaining motions, Docs. 37 and 38, remain pending before the Magistrate Judge.

This the 26th day of August, 2019.

  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE